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In re Application of: Helmut E. Freitag

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.121

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 U.S.A.

February 14, 2007

Dear Sir:

In response to the **Final Office Action** dated December 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.